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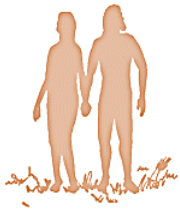
1. **Innocence** 	**"Able to sin, able not to sin"** (*posse peccare, posse non peccare*).	**"Primitive Integrity;"** The State of **INNOCENCE**	The state of man before the Fall, as God made him; an unconfirmed holiness. Righteous, but mutable.	Eccl.7:29; Gen.1:26 -27, 31; Col. 3:10, Eph. 4:24 Gen. 3:6
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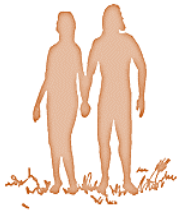
1. **Innocence** 	**"Able to sin, able not to sin"** (*posse peccare, posse non peccare*).	**"Primitive Integrity;"** The State of **INNOCENCE**	The state of man before the Fall, as God made him; an unconfirmed holiness. Righteous, but mutable.	Eccl.7:29; Gen.1:26 -27, 31; Col. 3:10, Eph. 4:24 Gen. 3:6
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